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Subject: Salt Point State Park

I am in favor of protecting our ocean resources. I have been a sport diver and fisherman for over 20 years and would like to continue to enjoy these sports for a long time to come. One of my favorite areas is Salt Point State Park. My wife and I spent our first anniversary camping there in February 1974 and we have been going back there several times a year since then. Salt Point is an oasis of public access in an otherwise fenced and posted area of our coast. To read that this area may be closed while private areas, with the same general geography, will remain open is disturbing. It brings to mind jolly old England where only the Titled Rich Land Owner was allowed to hunt and fish. Closing Salt Point would impact thousands of people that cannot afford to by property. The folks at Sea Ranch will tell you that there is public access, but these are limited. You need to park in designated areas and walk in. This means hauling your gear in and out on foot. They will not allow you to drive in and drop off your gear and kayak. This in effect closes the area to divers that do not live there.

Please keep Salt Point State Park as it is, a rich resource for the average citizen to enjoy. Michael Beal Antioch, Ca.